GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:87
ANSWERED ON:25.04.2016
Research Activities in Universities/ Colleges
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes/programmes being implemented by the Government to promote and enhance research and development activities in Universities/Colleges across the country;

(b) whether the Government has provided adequate financial assistance under the said schemes/programmes during each of the last three years and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise and scheme/programme-wise and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has received proposals from various State Governments for providing adequate/sufficient funds under the said schemes/programmes during the said period;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise along with the present status of such proposals; and

(e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government to give a fillip to the research and development activities in Universities/Colleges across the country and to ensure adequate funds for the purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) & (b): The University Grants Commission (UGC) has informed that it is implementing the following schemes, namely: (i) Special Assistance Programme (SAP); (ii) Basic Scientific Research (BSR); (iii) Universities & Colleges with Potential for Excellence (UPE/CPE); (iv) Research Scientists; (v) Digital repository of research and teaching material; (vi) Minor and Major Research Projects (MRP); (vii) Research Fellowships; (viii) Scholarships and fellowships in engineering and technology; (ix) Research awards; (x) Research workshops, seminars and conferences; and (xi) Emeritus fellowship for promoting and enhancing research and development activities in Universities/Colleges across the country. Details of these schemes are available at www.ugc.ac.in . A statement showing grants provided by the UGC to Universities and Colleges under these schemes for the year 2012-13 to current financial year i.e. 2015-16 is at Annexure.

(c): The UGC does not receive proposals for research funding from State Governments. Proposals for research funding are invited by the UGC from institutions of higher education.

(d): In view of above does not arise.

(e): Two schemes, namely Impacting Research Innovation and Technology (IMPRINT) and Uchhatar Avishkar Yojana (UAY) have been launched for promoting research that is socially relevant and is of use to the end users like the Industry. IMPRINT focuses on research in higher educational institutions in ten socially relevant domains. The UAY promotes industry sponsored, outcome-oriented research projects. A detailed action plan has been formulated for both these flagship programmes of the Ministry.

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STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PART (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.87 FOR 25-04-2016 ASKED BY SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB, M.P. REGARDING RESEARCH ACTIVITIES IN UNIVERSITIES/COLLEGES

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S.No. Particulars 2012- 13 2013-14 2014-15 2015-16 (Provisional)
1 Special Assistance Programme (SAP) 3921.67 1157.12 2639.00 3751.67
2 Basic Scientific Research 8342.73 8416.22 7528.00 10994.17
3 Universities & Colleges with Potential for Excellence 11057.52 8378.53 5506.00 10404.29
4 Research Scientists 352.42 336.76 1010.00 695.89
5 Digital Repository of Research & Teaching Material 11237.50 14337.50 0.00 7500.00
6 Minor & Major Research Project (Science & Humanities) 24610.67 6660.73 34037.00 9411.98
7 Research Fellowships
a) Junior & Senior Research Fellowship & Research Fellowships 16524.00 13829.58 51100.00 51400.91
b) Part time Research Associate ships for Women (Post Doctoral Fellowship for women) 461.35 529.79 1231.00 2712.93
8 Scholarships and Fellowships under Engg. & Tech. 1077.56 0.00 1166.00 767.23
1) P.G. Scholarship ME/M.Tech.
2) Fellowship under Engg. & Tech.
9 Research Awards 622.70 520.79 1354.00 1216.23
10 Research Workshops, Seminars & Conferences 989.17 0.00 0.00 101.67
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11 Emeritus Fellowship 250.39 275.32 475.00 972.95
Total : 79447.68 54442.34 106046.00 99929.92
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